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Fill in this information to identify your case:		
United States Bankruptcy Court for the:		
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS	-	
Case number (if known)	_ Chapter you are filing under:	
	Chapter 7	
	☐ Chapter 11	
	☐ Chapter 12	
	☐ Chapter 13	Check if this an amended filing

### Official Form 101

### **Voluntary Petition for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy**

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The bankruptcy forms use you and Debtor 1 to refer to a debtor filing alone. A married couple may file a bankruptcy case together—called a *joint case*—and in joint cases, these forms use you to ask for information from both debtors. For example, if a form asks, "Do you own a car," the answer would be yes if either debtor owns a car. When information is needed about the spouses separately, the form uses *Debtor 1* and *Debtor 2* to distinguish between them. In joint cases, one of the spouses must report information as *Debtor 1* and the other as *Debtor 2*. The same person must be *Debtor 1* in all of the forms.

Be as complete and accurate as possible. If two married people are filing together, both are equally responsible for supplying correct information. If more space is needed, attach a separate sheet to this form. On the top of any additional pages, write your name and case number (if known). Answer every question.

Pa	rt 1: Identify Yourself		
		About Debtor 1:	About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):
1.	Your full name		
	Write the name that is on your government-issued picture identification (for example, your driver's license or passport).  Bring your picture identification to your meeting with the trustee.	Cleveland First name  Andre Middle name  Gardner  Last name and Suffix (Sr., Jr., II, III)	Charlene First name  Middle name  Gardner  Last name and Suffix (Sr., Jr., II, III)
2.	All other names you have used in the last 8 years		
	Include your married or maiden names.		
3.	Only the last 4 digits of your Social Security number or federal Individual Taxpayer Identification number (ITIN)	xxx-xx-8646	xxx-xx-1868

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	About Debtor 1:		About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):				
4.	Any business names and Employer Identification Numbers (EIN) you have used in the last 8 years Include trade names and doing business as names	I have not used any business name or EINs.  Business name(s)  EINs	■ I have not used any business name or EINs.  Business name(s)  EINs				
5.	Where you live	352 Blackstone Ave Glenwood, IL 60425	If Debtor 2 lives at a different address:				
	Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code		Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code				
		Cook County	County				
		If your mailing address is different from the one above, fill it in here. Note that the court will send any notices to you at this mailing address.	If Debtor 2's mailing address is different from yours, fill in here. Note that the court will send any notices to this mailing address.				
		Number, P.O. Box, Street, City, State & ZIP Code	Number, P.O. Box, Street, City, State & ZIP Code				
6.	Why you are choosing this district to file for bankruptcy	Check one:  Over the last 180 days before filing this petition, I have lived in this district longer than in any other district.  I have another reason. Explain. (See 28 U.S.C. § 1408.)	Check one:  Over the last 180 days before filing this petition, I have lived in this district longer than in any other district.  I have another reason. Explain. (See 28 U.S.C. § 1408.)				

Deb	otor 1	Case 17-C		Doc 1		Entere Page 3	of 19	13:38:53 Des	SC Main
Deb	tor 2	Charlene Gardner					Case n	umber (if known)	
Part	t 2:	Tell the Court About \	Your Banl	ruptcy Ca	se				
7.	Bank	chapter of the			rief description of each, see go to the top of page 1 and			C. § 342(b) for Individu	uals Filing for Bankruptcy
	cnoc	sing to file under	■ Chap	ter 7					
			☐ Chap	ter 11					
			☐ Chap	ter 12					
			☐ Chap	eter 13					
8.	How	you will pay the fee	ab ord	out how yo	entire fee when I file my p u may pay. Typically, if you a attorney is submitting your p address.	are paying	the fee yourself, y	ou may pay with cash	, cashier's check, or money
					the fee in installments. If e in Installments (Official Fo	•	e this option, sign	and attach the Applica	ation for Individuals to Pay
			□ Ire bu ap	equest tha t is not requ plies to you	t my fee be waived (You ma	ay request may do so able to pay	o only if your incon the fee in installr	ne is less than 150% on nents). If you choose t	of the official poverty line that this option, you must fill out
9.	Have	you filed for	□ No.						
	bank	ankruptcy within the st 8 years?	Yes.						
		,	. 00.	District	Northern District of Illinois Eastern Division	When	2/22/10	Case number	10-bk-06921
				District	DIVISION	When		Case number	
				District		When		Case number	
10.		any bankruptcy	■ No						
	filed not f you,	s pending or being by a spouse who is iling this case with or by a business ner, or by an ate?	☐ Yes.						
				Debtor				Relationship to y	ou
				District		When		Case number, if	
				Debtor				Relationship to y	
				District		When		Case number, if	known

Has your landlord obtained an eviction judgment against you and do you want to stay in your residence?

Yes. Fill out Initial Statement About an Eviction Judgment Against You (Form 101A) and file it with this

Go to line 12.

No. Go to line 12.

bankruptcy petition.

■ No.

☐ Yes.

11. Do you rent your

residence?

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Deb	otor 2 Charlene Gardner	•			Case number (if known)	
Par	t 3: Report About Any Bu	sinesses	You Owr	as a Sole Proprie	tor	
12. Are you a sole propriet of any full- or part-time business?		■ No.	■ No. Go to Part 4.			
		☐ Yes.	Name	and location of bus	niness	
	A sole proprietorship is a business you operate as an individual, and is not a separate legal entity such as a corporation, partnership, or LLC.			e of business, if any		
	If you have more than one sole proprietorship, use a separate sheet and attach		Numb	oer, Street, City, Sta	te & ZIP Code	
	it to this petition.		Chec	k the appropriate bo	x to describe your business:	
				Health Care Busin	ness (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(27A))	
				Single Asset Real	Estate (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51B))	
				Stockbroker (as d	efined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(53A))	
				Commodity Broke	er (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(6))	
				None of the above	9	
13.	Are you filing under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code and are you a small business debtor?	deadline operation	If you are filing under Chapter 11, the court must know whether you are a small business debtor so that it can set appropriately deadlines. If you indicate that you are a small business debtor, you must attach your most recent balance sheet, state operations, cash-flow statement, and federal income tax return or if any of these documents do not exist, follow the print 11 U.S.C. 1116(1)(B).			
	For a definition of small	■ No.	I am i	not filing under Char	oter 11.	
	business debtor, see 11 U.S.C. § 101(51D).	□ No.	I am i Code		11, but I am NOT a small business debtor according to the definition in the Bankruptcy	
		☐ Yes.	I am f	iling under Chapter	11 and I am a small business debtor according to the definition in the Bankruptcy Code.	
Par	t 4: Report if You Own or	Have Any	/ Hazardo	ous Property or An	y Property That Needs Immediate Attention	
14.	Do you own or have any	■ No.				
	property that poses or is alleged to pose a threat	☐ Yes.				
	of imminent and identifiable hazard to public health or safety?	<b>□</b> 163.	What is	the hazard?		
	Or do you own any property that needs immediate attention?			liate attention is why is it needed?		
	For example, do you own perishable goods, or livestock that must be fed, or a building that needs urgent repairs?		Where i	s the property?		
					Number, Street, City, State & Zip Code	

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Part 5:

Explain Your Efforts to Receive a Briefing About Credit Counseling

 Tell the court whether you have received a briefing about credit counseling.

The law requires that you receive a briefing about credit counseling before you file for bankruptcy. You must truthfully check one of the following choices. If you cannot do so, you are not eligible to file.

If you file anyway, the court can dismiss your case, you will lose whatever filing fee you paid, and your creditors can begin collection activities again.

#### **About Debtor 1:**

You must check one:

I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, and I received a certificate of completion.

Attach a copy of the certificate and the payment plan, if any, that you developed with the agency.

I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, but I do not have a certificate of completion.

Within 14 days after you file this bankruptcy petition, you MUST file a copy of the certificate and payment plan, if any.

I certify that I asked for credit counseling services from an approved agency, but was unable to obtain those services during the 7 days after I made my request, and exigent circumstances merit a 30-day temporary waiver of the requirement.

To ask for a 30-day temporary waiver of the requirement, attach a separate sheet explaining what efforts you made to obtain the briefing, why you were unable to obtain it before you filed for bankruptcy, and what exigent circumstances required you to file this case.

Your case may be dismissed if the court is dissatisfied with your reasons for not receiving a briefing before you filed for bankruptcy. If the court is satisfied with your reasons, you must still receive a briefing within 30 days after you file. You must file a certificate from the approved agency, along with a copy of the payment plan you developed, if any. If you do not do so, your case may be dismissed.

Any extension of the 30-day deadline is granted only for cause and is limited to a maximum of 15 days.

 □ I am not required to receive a briefing about credit counseling because of:

☐ Incapacity.

I have a mental illness or a mental deficiency that makes me incapable of realizing or making rational decisions about finances.

Disability.

My physical disability causes me to be unable to participate in a briefing in person, by phone, or through the internet, even after I reasonably tried to do so.

☐ Active duty.

I am currently on active military duty in a military combat zone.

If you believe you are not required to receive a briefing about credit counseling, you must file a motion for waiver credit counseling with the court.

About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):

You must check one:

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Attach a copy of the certificate and the payment plan, if any, that you developed with the agency.

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**Cleveland Andre Gardner** Debtor 1 Debtor 2 **Charlene Gardner** Case number (if known) **Answer These Questions for Reporting Purposes** Part 6: 16. What kind of debts do 16a. Are your debts primarily consumer debts? Consumer debts are defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(8) as "incurred by an you have? individual primarily for a personal, family, or household purpose." ☐ No. Go to line 16b. Yes. Go to line 17. 16b. Are your debts primarily business debts? Business debts are debts that you incurred to obtain money for a business or investment or through the operation of the business or investment. ■ No. Go to line 16c. ☐ Yes. Go to line 17. 16c. State the type of debts you owe that are not consumer debts or business debts 17. Are you filing under ☐ No. I am not filing under Chapter 7. Go to line 18. Chapter 7? Do you estimate that I am filing under Chapter 7. Do you estimate that after any exempt property is excluded and administrative expenses Yes. after any exempt are paid that funds will be available to distribute to unsecured creditors? property is excluded and administrative expenses ■ No are paid that funds will be available for ☐ Yes distribution to unsecured creditors? 18. How many Creditors do 1-49 **1**,000-5,000 **1** 25,001-50,000 you estimate that you **5001-10,000 5**0,001-100,000 50-99 owe? **1**0,001-25,000 ☐ More than 100,000 **1**00-199 **200-999** 19. How much do you □ \$0 - \$50,000 □ \$1,000,001 - \$10 million □ \$500,000,001 - \$1 billion estimate your assets to □ \$50,001 - \$100,000 □ \$10,000,001 - \$50 million □ \$1,000,000,001 - \$10 billion be worth? □ \$50,000,001 - \$100 million □ \$10.000.000.001 - \$50 billion **\$100,001 - \$500,000** □ \$100,000,001 - \$500 million ☐ More than \$50 billion □ \$500,001 - \$1 million 20. How much do you □ \$0 - \$50,000 □ \$1,000,001 - \$10 million □ \$500,000,001 - \$1 billion estimate your liabilities □ \$50,001 - \$100,000 □ \$10,000,001 - \$50 million □ \$1,000,000,001 - \$10 billion to be? □ \$50,000,001 - \$100 million □ \$10,000,000,001 - \$50 billion **\$100,001 - \$500,000** □ \$100.000.001 - \$500 million ☐ More than \$50 billion □ \$500,001 - \$1 million Part 7: Sign Below I have examined this petition, and I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided is true and correct. For you If I have chosen to file under Chapter 7, I am aware that I may proceed, if eligible, under Chapter 7, 11,12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code. I understand the relief available under each chapter, and I choose to proceed under Chapter 7. If no attorney represents me and I did not pay or agree to pay someone who is not an attorney to help me fill out this document, I have obtained and read the notice required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b). I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition. I understand making a false statement, concealing property, or obtaining money or property by fraud in connection with a bankruptcy case can result in fines up to \$250,000, or imprisonment for up to 20 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 1341, 1519, and 3571. /s/ Cleveland Andre Gardner /s/ Charlene Gardner Cleveland Andre Gardner Charlene Gardner Signature of Debtor 1 Signature of Debtor 2 Executed on February 7, 2017 Executed on February 7, 2017

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For your attorney, if you are represented by one

If you are not represented by an attorney, you do not need to file this page. I, the attorney for the debtor(s) named in this petition, declare that I have informed the debtor(s) about eligibility to proceed under Chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code, and have explained the relief available under each chapter for which the person is eligible. I also certify that I have delivered to the debtor(s) the notice required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b) and, in a case in which § 707(b)(4)(D) applies, certify that I have no knowledge after an inquiry that the information in the schedules filed with the petition is incorrect.

	C. Marzan ARDC Attorney for Debtor	Date	February 7, 2017 MM / DD / YYYYY
Andrew C.	Marzan ARDC		
Ledford, V	Vu & Borges, LLC		
105 W. Ma 23rd Floor			
Chicago, I Number, Street,	City, State & ZIP Code		
Contact phone	312-853-0200	Email address	notice@billbusters.com
#6316313 Bar number & St	rate		

# UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF:	) CHAPTER 13
Charlene Gardner	) ) CASE NO.
Debtor(s)	j

### REBUTTAL OF PRESUMPTION OF ABUSE

The debtor(s), by and through counsel, in rebuttal of the presumption of abuse arising under 11 U.S.C. § 707(b)(2)(A)(i), states to the court as follows:

- 1.1 am the debtor in this bankruptcy case.
- 2.I was employed by AT&T prior to filing.
- 3.I was laid-off from my position on February 20, 2017.
- 4. The last paycheck I received by was on February 20, 2017.
- 5.I have had no personal income since separation from my previous employer on January 31, 2017.

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## **United States Bankruptcy Court Northern District of Illinois**

In r	Cleveland Andre Gardner  Charlene Gardner		Case No	).	
	Ondificite Gardiner	Debtor(s)	Chapter		
	DISCLOSURE OF COMPE	ENSATION OF ATTO	RNEY FOR I	DEBTOR(S)	
l.	Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 329(a) and Fed. Bankr. P. 2010 compensation paid to me within one year before the fillibe rendered on behalf of the debtor(s) in contemplation	ing of the petition in bankruptcy	y, or agreed to be pa	id to me, for services r	
	For legal services, I have agreed to accept		\$ <u></u>	100.00	
	Prior to the filing of this statement I have received			100.00	
	Balance Due		\$	0.00	
2.	\$_335.00 of the filing fee has been paid.				
3.	The source of the compensation paid to me was:				
	■ Debtor □ Other (specify):				
1.	The source of compensation to be paid to me is:				
	■ Debtor □ Other (specify):				
5.	■ I have not agreed to share the above-disclosed com	pensation with any other person	n unless they are me	mbers and associates of	of my law firm.
	☐ I have agreed to share the above-disclosed compen copy of the agreement, together with a list of the na				law firm. A
<b>5</b> .	In return for the above-disclosed fee, I have agreed to a	render legal service for all aspec	cts of the bankruptc	y case, including:	
	<ul> <li>a. Analysis of the debtor's financial situation, and rend</li> <li>b. Preparation and filing of any petition, schedules, stac.</li> <li>c. Representation of the debtor at the meeting of credid.</li> <li>d. [Other provisions as needed]</li> <li>Notwithstanding the preceding paragrapetition only.</li> </ul>	atement of affairs and plan which tors and confirmation hearing, a	ch may be required; and any adjourned h	earings thereof;	
7.	By agreement with the debtor(s), the above-disclosed for Representation of the debtors in any different one chapter to another; and reoperamending a petition, list, schedule or screditors' meetings due to client's failure.	ischargeability actions or a ening of a closed case. In statement post-filing not du	any other adversa a Chapter 7 case le to Attorney's fa	: jusicial lien avoida ault, attending addi	ance, tional
		CERTIFICATION			
this	I certify that the foregoing is a complete statement of a bankruptcy proceeding.	ny agreement or arrangement fo	or payment to me fo	r representation of the	debtor(s) in
	February 7, 2017	/s/ Andrew C. M	arzan ARDC		
	Date	Andrew C. Marz Signature of Attorn	an ARDC #63163	13	
		Ledford, Wu & E			
		105 W. Madison			
		23rd Floor Chicago, IL 6060	02		
		312-853-0200 F	ax: 312-873-4693		
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### ATTORNEY RETENTION CONTRACT

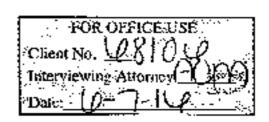
FOR OFFICE USE (7)
Client No. 6 5106
Responsible attorney: 4007

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i. Parties. In this contract, "Client" means the undersigned, both individually and its staff attorneys. This contract shall supersede any prior contracts and agree	and jointly; "Attorney" means the taw firm of Ledford prients between the parties to the extent of any inconfist	& Wu lency.
Services and Fees: Client retains Altorney for the following services:  (Chapter 7 (prepetition service only): \$	apter 7 bankingtry pention (without the required and Client ends, and the attorney-client relationship is term arties enter into a separate retention contract for pasty a motion to withdraw from the case.	THEORY
Chapter 7 (service through discharge): \$PLUS \$335 filing TOTAL: \$loss retainer received: \$Fee!  The legal fee is an ② advance payment retainer □ security retainer □ clais unable to represent Chent without receiving an advance payment retainer creditors. Should hourly billing be necessary, Attorney's billing rates are \$300 sassociates, and \$90/nour for law clerks. The filing fee and expenses are subjectively and potential increase every calendar year.	saic retainer, and is a flat fee unless otherwise stated. A single a security retainer will be within the reach of 6 350/hour for senior partners, \$250/hour for junior path out to change at any time. The hilling rates are subject to change at any time.	Client's ers and ct to an
The legal fee covers the initial consultation and all subsequent work. All the case may be closed if the fees are not paid by the deadline. Additional legal required, in the event of conversion from one chapter to another, amending Autorney's fault, attending additional creditors' meetings, reopening of a closed fact not known to Autorney in writing at the time of the initial consultation that	a petition, list, schedule or statement post-filing tot case, unnecessary work caused by Client's delay, or at	duc to ny other
<ul> <li>3. Scope of Representation:</li> <li>(a) Attorney will counsel and represent Client in all aspects of the above redemption; (3) judicial lien avoidance; (4) post-discharge litigation; (5) ap</li> <li>(b) Attorney may agree, but is not obligated, to represent Client in the above separately by the parties.</li> </ul>	ve excluded matters for an additional fee, to be agree	
4. Initial Consultation. Client acknowledges that Attorney has caplained the Land VI. The options of Chapter? and Chapter 13 and that Client has made The concepts of exemption, discharge and dischargeability, and put the difference among various types of retainer and that Client has adversely affect Client's case. Attorney may not be able to fits documents and/or information, including but not limited to a certification understands that the advice given during the initial consultation is prefit may change as the case is further analyzed, more facts discovered, or Client's consultation.	the choice identified in ratagraph 2 e-filing and post-filing procedures made the choice identified in Paragraph 4 y disqualify Client for the type of relief elected or p the case, or take other necessary actions, until all relicate of credit comseling, are received by Attorney minary and based on the information available at the t	
<ol> <li>Client's Duties. Client agrees, during the course of representation, to:</li> <li>provide Attorney with full, accurate and timely information, financial and to</li> <li>follow Attorney's procedures and cooperate with Attorney in providing rec</li> <li>promptly inform Attorney of any change of address, phone number, e-mail</li> <li>inform Attorney before huying, selling, refinancing or transferring any res</li> <li>any new debt, including but not limited to applying for an auto loso, personance of credit, or using an existing credit card or line of credit; and</li> <li>promptly inform Automey if Client becomes entitled to an inheritance, an spouse or a divorce decree, life insurance proceeds, or a monetary judgment</li> </ol>	nested documents, address or comployment, or activation of military duty address or comployment, or activation of military duty property in which Client has any interest, and before all loan, payday loan or title loan, applying for a creasult of a property softlement agreement with award or settlement.	h Client's
<ol> <li>Co-counsel. Client understands that more than one attorney may work on to of the following outside counsel, at Attorney's expense, to work on this ca Christina Banyon, David Hali Carter, and</li> </ol>	C. Kathicell W. Vadgat, Kally at Johnson, Pagas	, ,,
7. Termination. Client may discharge Attantey at any time, subject to payr may terminate the representation as permitted by the Illinois Rules of Profes bankruptcy case is advance payment for fluore services, becomes Attorney's petition. In the event the representation is terminated by either party before fi provide Client with a detailed itemization of the services rendered in support treinburse Attorney for any expenses, including those that otherwise would be fee and any payment for expenses that have not been incurred towards the altorney.	property upon receigt, and is nomefundable upon fiting and Chent has paid Attorney more than \$300. At free of charged at the rate set forth in Paragraph 4, free of charge, and Chent authorizes Attorney to apply tey's fee, subject to the requirements set forth hereis.	ng of the macy will lient will the filing
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### CONSULTATION AGREEMENT



#### THIS AGREEMENT IS REQUIRED BY FEDERAL LAW (11 U.S.C. § 528(a))

- 1. Parties: In this contract, "Client" means the undersigned, both individually and jointly; "Attorney" means the law firm of Ledford, Wu & Borges, LLC and its staff attorneys.
- 2. Purpose: Client has requested the opportunity to consult with and obtain information and advice from Attorney concerning options for relief from debts, which may include filing bankruptcy. This agreement is for purposes of that consultation only.
- 3. Client's Duties: In order for Attorney to give meaningful advice, Client agrees to give accurate, honest, full and fair disclosure of financial information concerning income over the past three years from all sources, monthly living expenses, the type and amount of all debts (including names and addresses of all creditors), all assets and property owned by the client, wherever located and by whomever held, and any additional information determined by Attorney to be relevant.
- 4. Services: The attorney agrees to provide Client with the following services:
  - a. analyzing Client's financial circumstances based on information provided by Client;
  - to the extent possible, advising Client of bankruptcy options and non-bankruptcy options based on the information provided by Client;
  - if Client has not provided Actomey with sufficient information upon which to fully advise Client on Client's
    options, informing Client what additional information Client needs to provide in order to enable Atterney to
    provide such advice and information;
  - d. where applicable, advising Client of the requirements placed upon Client to file a bankruptcy; and
  - e. to the extent possible, quoting a fee for providing bankruptcy and/or nonbankruptcy assistance to Client

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5. Fees (check one):	
A consultation fee will be waived if Client decides not to retain Attorney, in relationship shall terminate at the conclusion of the interview	which case the attorney-client
Client agrees to pay \$ in nonrefundable consultation fee	
In the event Client decides to retain Attorney, this consultation becomes billable and is consultanced and a new written contract, as well as a Court-Approved Retention Agreement by Client and Attorney, which shall supersede this agreement. The new agreement(s explanation of the parties' obligations and a breakdown of the costs.	nt it applicable, musi de signed
6. Acknowledgement: Client acknowledges that the first date upon which Attorney provided Client is the date noted above, and that Attorney provided Client with a copy of this againformation manufaced by Section 527(b) of the Bankmptey Code.	vided any hankruptcy assistance greenment and the disclosure and
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